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**Stars of the past go back in time**



The Australian squad which revived history at Olympic Park (see page 10). Standing, from left: Mr. Joseph Docherty (manager), Mr. Gary McDowell (resident physician), Mr. James Armstrong, Mr. James Tansey, Mr. Sandy Irvine, Mr. James Rooney, Mr. Jack Reilly, Mr. William Vojtek, Mr. Peter Oller-

ton, Mr. Robert Russell, Mr. George Orrick (stretcher bearer), Mr. Vincent Bannon, Mr. Joseph Keenan, Mr. Steven Marley (stretcher bearer). Reclining: Mr. Hamilton McMeekan (left), Mr. Yehar Behich. Picture by MR. LESLIE SHORROCK.

## FOREST AND UDINESE ON TOURS LIST

The selection of top club teams to tour Australia in June will be completed by Australian Soccer Federation commercial director Peter Sheean in London this week.

The ASF World Cup Committee, under chairman Peter McCann, settled the guidelines at its meeting in Sydney at the weekend.

Among the overseas clubs involved in final negotiations are Manchester United, Nottingham Forest and Arsenal (England), Glasgow Rangers (Scotland), Inter Milan and Udinese (Italy), Real Madrid (Spain) and Aris Salónica (Greece).

"One aspect is to find out which clubs will provide us with at least one return game in Europe later in the year," Sheean said.

"Also, we are determined to get tours within Australia completely on the rails for the future by opening up discussions on 1985 tours as well."

"There is no chance that these visits will take place on an ad hoc basis as has often been the case in the past."

The ASF and NSL have come to an agreement under which the NSL will stage only National Cup and deferred matches during June.

For its part the ASF has undertaken to leave the local scene to the NSL for the balance of the season.

McCann said a number of younger players with high prospects can be expected to play in the Australian elevens and State teams that are to meet the tourists.

"The best of the players who competed for Australia in the World Youth Cup in 1981 and 1983 must come into calculations," he continued.

"We could have brought some in for the Merlion Cup in Singapore, but in our judgement it would have been unfair to develop a team at the expense of the Singapore Football Association."

"We were the cup holders, we had asked Singapore to assist us in delaying the tournament and we had to face potentially dangerous opponents in China, South Korea and Thailand."

National coach Les Scheinfug was eagerly awaiting the announcement of the June touring teams as the future World Cup players will gain experience against them.

He said: "The away tour at the end of the year is likely to be for a month."

"Ideally I would prefer six weeks, but I know that the availability of quality matches and tour costing must be considered."

"I am satisfied that the majority of our best players are already in the squad."

"Actually I might not need many more than three replacements, especially if my players hold their form."

## Dobson dispute

Melbourne Croatia and Preston Makedonia may be locked in a tug of war over the signature of talented stopper Ian Dobson, from Victorian State League club Croydon City.

Croatia is believed to be angry over rumors that Croydon and Makedonia have agreed terms on a transfer price for Dobson, who signed a contract with Croatia late last year before flying home to holiday in England over the Christmas and New Year period.

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## Who's coach of 'Roos?

Mystery surrounded the national coaching position as we went to Press.

Australian Soccer Federation officials discussed the job at length at a meeting in Sydney at the weekend.

It is believed that one suggestion was that the current national coach, Les Scheinfug, should coach the national A team, and that Frank Arok of St George Budapest should be appointed as coach of a national B team.

Arok, however, is believed to have rejected such a suggestion.

And Scheinfug too, is far from happy.

Scheinfug was believed to be seeking support from the ASF for long-term tenure, with the possibility that he may resign if he does not get it.

Heidelberg-Alexander was leading Blacktown in the race to sign Socceroo striker Phil O'Connor as we went to Press.

O'Connor told "Soccer Action": "Heidelberg has made me a reasonable offer — a bit better than the one I got from Blacktown, so I guess they're the favorites at the moment."

O'Connor said he would announce his decision today (Wednesday).

"Moving to Melbourne would, of course, be a big step for me, but Heidelberg secretary Paul Shamos told me that they'd be willing to pay my rent until I get a job in Melbourne."

"I'd also have to rent out my house in Wollongong."

If Heidelberg succeeds in getting O'Connor, he may play against Makedonia in the Buffalo Summer Cup on Saturday night.

O'Connor, 30, was voted



Terry Hennessey, former captain of Wales and Nottingham Forest among others, watches intently as his new club, Melbourne Croatia, beats Makedonia 3-0 at Olympic Park last Friday. An interview with the new Croatia coach appears on page 9.

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## Alston wants his old pal Wilson

A Socceroo old boys haven. That's what most soccer fans will call Wollongong City if new coach Adrian Alston, who made 61 appearances for Australia, is successful in signing Peter Wilson, the Socceroo appearance record holder, having donned the green and gold on 114 occasions.

There's a hitch though. Wilson's club APIA is asking \$10,000 for the veteran defender.

Wollongong has had to substantially slash its player payments. There are no signing-on fees and no basic wages. The Wolves have reverted to an incentive system of win, draw and loss payments.

Wollongong's gates last year were about 40,000 down on 1982 figures. The loss of \$15,000 in sponsorship from the Corinal Leagues Club escalated the financial crisis at the club.

The Wolves still owe about \$20,000 in signing-on fees for last season. And the giant Kerr Corporation and the Fraternity Bowling and Recreation Club have come to the sponsorship party for 1984.

Striker Roy Cotton has joined Penrith City for \$7,000 and Socceroo striker Phil O'Connor has joined captain Chris Dunleavy late last week.

Goalkeeper Jim Preston is trialling with Hong Kong First Division club Eszintabadi and won't be available for the kick-off to the new season. Natch Vardareff and former Canberra goalkeeper Ron Tilse have signed for Wollongong so coach Alston is well off in the goalkeeping department.

Tilse was one of Alston's first signings. The former Arsenal and English youth team player gave the game away in the late 1970's to concentrate on setting up a transport business. A rigor-

tous though, returns to the Wolves' fold after a stint with NSW State League club Avala.

No matter how confident he may appear, Alston is in for a tough experience in the forthcoming National League.

The former Socceroo striker has been entrusted with the job of restoring some respectability to the Wollongong City side after a disastrous 1983 season.

The Wolves finished second last in the table after reaching the semi-finals in 1982.

In the off-season, the Wolves board gave the English-born Alston the senior coaching job.

"Everything must change," said Alston, who calls Wollongong his "home".

"The club's attitude must change. We must give district players a better chance of playing in the NSL, and we also must alter our style of play. We cannot rely on kick and run tactics any more. That's not the soccer our fans would like to see."

The Illawarra is the region with proportionally the highest immigrant population in Australia.

Italian, Yugoslav and Greek communities make up a huge part of the city's soccer loving public. With this in mind, Alston's idea of providing a more internationally orientated side makes sense.

Indeed, one of the reasons behind the Italian, Macedonian and Greek desertion of the Wolves may be the lack of an "Ethnic" element in a basically British side.

The style of the Wolves lacks flair and imagination, the fans say.

But Alston has gone on record and proclaimed things would be different in 1984.

"It will certainly be a great challenge," Alston said.

"I've got no superstars to work with but I hope two of the four Yugoslav players I signed will make it to the first team. They should give the fans more entertainment."

Alston kept his promise of giving district players a chance by

## JIM COOK DIES

Jim Cook, our European correspondent, died in England late last year. He was 66.

Cook, born in Scotland, lived from 1958 to 1975 in Melbourne where he wrote for publications including "Soccer News" and "Newsday." He also was the Victorian correspondent for "Soccer World."

Cook also was instrumental in helping scores of British players to join Australian clubs.



# Doubt over Bertogna, Wilson at \$10,000

By ALEX VESIC

Rumor has it that star defender Arno Bertogna may decide to stay in Perth, rather than return to APIA.

Bertogna's parents live in Perth, and he played there before coming east to play first for Newcastle, then for Wollongong and, last season, for APIA.

## Farrugia's now an international



*Melita Eagles star Ray Farrugia (pictured) is dying to get into NSL*, after having represented Melita in its recent matches against Spain (1-1) and Holland (0-5).

*Melita fans haven't had the chance to watch their favorite son in recent matches, because he is nursing an injury. It shouldn't be long, however...*

*Lack of speed in defence seems to be Melita's biggest problem, although Mike Fogarty played quite well in the side's recent 2-5 loss to St. George Budapest.*

*OK, it was a bad defeat — especially since Melita led 2-0 early — but what can you do against Dex Martin and the well-pledged St. George machine?*

*Paul Daley, Melita's pride and joy and a member of Australia's youth national team last year, was sold to Penrith City along with Micky Cross. And while Cross should not be regarded as a great loss, Daley is at the start of a promising career.*

*More than two dozen more players are listed for sale by Melita, including Richie Williams (\$9,000), Len Vial (\$5,000), Alex Jamieson (\$7,000), Steve Luord (\$4,000), Hector Martinez (\$4,500), Greg Ankland (\$4,500), Anton Budini (\$2,500), Les Chaloner (\$1,500), Vernon Darvill (\$1,000) and W. Campbell (\$5,500).*

*Some \$40,000 would be collected in transfer fees, should all of the above be sold.*

*Raul Blanco, the coach of Melita, will still have one of the largest squads on hand and should retain much of the same team. It could be:*

*Alex McPherson — Williams, McGinn, Fogarty, McAusland — Jamieson, D. Allan, Farrugia, Griffith, McKie, Fernsworth.*

*And while this side looks ok it is doubtful see Melita doing great things in the NSL. There is still the question of Don Allan and his decision last year to retire from soccer. Has he changed his mind?*

*With Raul Blanco insisting that Allan would be better suited to midfield duties, the club is keen to talk to Canterbury's Nick Theodoropoulos, last year's top scorer in the State League.*

*Defence looks an even bigger problem as Bob McPherson and Greg McCoy did not return from a holiday and look like being away for most of the season.*

— ALEX VESIC

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By ANDREW DETTRE

## Will St. George provide the next Socceroo goalkeeper?

# Why Greedy quit: 'My kids were growing up without me'

Only a few weeks ago, St. George Budapest and Australian national team goalie Terry Greedy announced his retirement; quietly, undramatically, very typically of this serious, young man.

His decision raised many an eyebrow. How can anyone quit at the peak, at 28, a truly tender age for goalies?

How can anyone throw away the No. 1 shirt of the current champion team, St. George and also of Australia? The opportunity of playing, in 1986, in the World Cup finals? Fame, travel, glory, money?

The more cynical among us reacted swiftly by saying: That's how much soccer means to local players: no more than a passing hobby, like stamp collecting, possibly bird watching. Those you'd grow out of as you mature.

But Greedy's decision was not made in a fit of pique: his very early retirement shows, in capsule form, some of the deep-living problems of Australian soccer. It proves once again, if there is a need to prove it, that we still are one of the very few true-blue amateur countries left in this commercialised world.

"Put yourself in my shoes," Greedy explains.

"I live at Minto and teach at Milperra Primary School. My daily routine, four nights a week, was this: Leaving the house at 8am, finishing at the school at 5pm, rushing to Rockdale for training, then home by 9pm, dead tired, falling into bed."

"I hardly ever saw my wife Rosemary or my two kids, aged 2½ and one, except perhaps on Saturdays. Week after month after year, virtually leaving my wife to bring up the kids."

Cubs interested in him should contact Polonia.

Marshall, a former Victorian junior representative, has spent three seasons with Polonia. He also has played for Richmond and Moreland.

About 6ft 5ins tall and built like a tank, Marshall is one of the most feared strikers in Australian soccer. Once he's in stride, on his way to goal, there's no stopping him. He has a lot of ball skill as well.

Former Newcastle KB and West Adelaide Hellas coach Alan Vest was among a number of coaches under consideration by Brisbane Lions as the club attempted to recover from a shock telegram from Simon Kistemaker, saying he would not be returning to Australia.

Lions advertised nationally for a replacement for Kistemaker, who contacted the club through a telegram which simply said: "Not come back. Letter follows."

With the start of the season only a month away, Lions were desperate last week to find a new coach to prevent yet another disastrous start.

Club officials hope to name a replacement at their board meeting tonight (Feb 1).

The club spoke to Vest, who now is in Perth. Late last week, Kuringai (NSW) coach Harry Noon also has been recommended to the club along with Polish refugee, Jerzy Wrzos, who narrowly missed out on the Sydney

"Then, during the England series, the kids were sick and I was away for two weeks. That's when it first occurred to me that it's not quite fair to Rosemary or the kids, that perhaps I should call it quits."

But he didn't. Terry Greedy finished the series against England, giving some breathtaking performances, then played a key role winning the NSL title for the Saints and finally helped Australia win the Merlion Tournament in Singapore. Nobody can ever say he didn't leave on the highest possible note.

"The truth is I never liked training," he admits. "Not the running part, anyway, and all the exercises. I always found it boring and had to force myself to do it. I certainly won't be missing all that chore. In fact, I hope I won't be missing playing at all."

"When I came down from Lismore to Sydney, six years ago, I asked for a posting here to see how far I could go in soccer. Naturally, I was dreaming of playing for a top club and for Australia one day. I achieved both in 1983. Frankly, that's enough for me."

"Now I have asked to be transferred back to Lismore or the North Coast. It may take

Gary Meier

Bobby Parks

Mike Fraser

Terry Greedy — only 28, but he's called it quits.

weeks, even months before I get it, depending on when there is a vacancy in a school."

Unlike many "retired" stars, Terry Greedy won't be playing with a lowly amateur team just for fun. His gloves have been firmly chucked into the closet.

"If I can't continue for St. George, I certainly won't be playing for any other team. I could just turn out for matches, without training — but that's not me, really. It's a nice idea, though, to quit while you're ahead."

Although few of our soccer players could make a comfortable living from the game alone, their sideline earnings

are still often talked about — and envied.

"I never played for the money," Terry says. "Sure, it was helpful but for me secondary. At Bankstown I earned only a pittance and in my first season with the Saints I was a reserve to Mike Fraser. So you could say I only had one truly great year. Not much, perhaps, but enough for me; I retire a happy man, with my ambitions fulfilled."

He is reluctant to make a firm forecast about his successor in the national team.

"I have always been very impressed with three: Gary Meier, Steve Watson and last season with Bobby Parks. I'd say the No. 1 will come from that group."

"I don't think you can forget about Mike Fraser, either. Now that he has fully regained his confidence after his 1981 eye injury, he could fulfil all his early promise and shoot to the top again."

"It would be nice if Mike replaced me not only in the Saints goal but also in the gold and green..."

best players in the competition last year.

Another welcome face back at the club is young midfielder on loan from Paul Butler, who looked an outstanding prospect when he burst into the Lions team two years ago but was forced to miss last season after major knee surgery.

If his early training is any indication, Burns shouldn't take long to get back to his best.

Lions also have young Acacia Ridge goalkeeper Rob Farrow on a one-month loan. Farrow was selected as a reserve keeper in the Queensland team for the match against New South Wales last year but broke his wrist during training.

He believes he has fully recovered from the injury but will be tested in pre-season matches.

# Leszczynski signed—and now for a coach



Ricky Rosso

Queensland hopefuls, including one former top State League coach.

Although Kistemaker signed a contract in October before he returned for his "holiday" in Holland, it is unlikely Lions will take any legal action against him.

But bitter club officials are still keen to talk to him.

Club secretary Lawrence Ondudnyk attempted to telephone Kistemaker in Holland on receiving the telegram but was told the Dutchman was in Belgium and uncontrollable.

Kistemaker was approached by Belgian Second Division club Turnhout last June but had Lions officials to be there he had turned down the offer.

Although the Lions' coaching position was still up in the air, the club intended to go ahead with a three-day camp

against Brisbane City on March 4.

Brisbane Lions have snapped up a talented young striker from virtually under the noses of Melbourne's NSL clubs.

He is Tasmanian State League player Andrew Leszczynski, who in the opinion of club officials, is Lions' "big" signing this year.

The 19-year-old striker from Hobart club White Eagles, impressed Kistemaker — and everyone else — when he played in the Australian schoolboy championships at Spencer Park last season.

Leszczynski finished the tournament as Player of the Series.

The tall, strong youngster, who scored nine goals in 15 games with the Eagles last season, will be used as a striking partner for Lions' skilful young Socceroo, Danny Wright.

Apart from Leszczynski, Lions surprisingly so far have made no other signings to strengthen their young team which finished bottom of the table last year.

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# Scotland or Austria: 'Roos thrown to wolves

By ANDREW DETTRE

**Let's be daring and make a long-range forecast: Australia could play either Austria or Scotland for a final place in the 1986 World Cup.**

Provided, of course, that we win our "little" Oceania-Asia-Middle East (?) subgroup.

FIFA, in its infinite wisdom, has placed Australia in a qualifying group which includes two political outcasts, Israel and Taiwan plus, of course, New Zealand.

Once again, marathon travel will be involved for the Aussies — as always since 1965.

Meanwhile, in Subgroup 1 of Zone A in Asia, for example, Saudi Arabia, Oman and the United Arab Emirates form a cozy trio and can travel to their away matches on a crippled camel, if they wish.

But as if all that weren't enough, the Oceania winner will have to play off against European teams for a place in Mexico.

These are the groups:

1. Poland, Belgium, Greece, Albania.
2. W. Germany, Czechoslovakia, Sweden, Portugal, Malta.
3. England, Northern Ireland, Romania, Turkey, Finland.
4. France, Yugoslavia, E. Germany, Bulgaria, Luxembourg.
5. Austria, Hungary, Holland, Cyprus.
6. USSR, Denmark, Eire, Switzerland, Norway.
7. Spain, Scotland, Wales, Iceland.

Now for the twist.

The winners of all groups qualify for the finals — together with the runners-up from those groups which have five teams: 2, 3 and 6.

The runners up of the other groups — 1, 5 and 7 — will have to play off.

This winner will also make Mexico — and the runner-up will play off for a place against the Oceania winner.

Let's forget now groups 2, 3, 4 and 6 as these have no bearing on Australia's prospects. What about the others?

On today's forms you could expect Poland, Holland and Spain to win the groups and go to Mexico.

The most likely runners-up from their groups are Belgium, Austria and Scotland.

If I had to pick a winner, I'd go for the powerful, physical Belgium — thus also earning a place under the Mexican sun.

And that would leave either Scotland or Austria to meet the Oceania winner — hopefully Australia — playing on a home and away basis.

However, to be on the safe side, the ASF and especially the national coach should begin to monitor all the performances of Poland, Belgium, Austria, Hungary, Holland, Spain, Scotland and Wales. The team to meet the Oceania winner is absolutely certain to come from that lot.

Would we have a chance? Yes, even if a slim one.

A well prepared Australia could go very close against Scotland, Hungary, Spain and Wales — much closer than against Holland, Belgium, Austria and Poland.

Meanwhile, it's interesting to take a quick look at some other oddities in the World Cup draw.

Australia has four zones and a total of eight subgroups — and will provide two finalists.

## FIFA MEMBERSHIP

Africa 42 countries, Asia 37 countries, Europe 31 countries, CONCACAF 23 countries, CONMEBOL 10 countries, Oceania 5 countries

## 1982 WORLD CUP

	Entries	Eligible	% eligible to qualify	% eligible to qualify
Europe	33	13	39	39
South America	10	3	30	30
CONCACAF	15	2	13	13
Asia	19	2	10	10
Africa	29	2	6	6
Oceania	3	0	0	0

## NUMBER OF QUALIFYING MATCHES FOR 1982 WORLD CUP

4 — Poland, Brazil, Peru, Chile  
5 — Honduras, El Salvador, 8 — West Germany, Austria, Belgium, France, USSR, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, England, Yugoslavia, Italy, Scotland, Northern Ireland, Algeria, Cameroon  
9 — Kuwait  
15 — New Zealand  
New Zealand thus had to play at least six more qualifying games than any other country. It did not qualify directly from Oceania, but rather after playing off against Asian opposition.

Other World Cup qualifying groups

## NORTH AND CENTRAL AMERICA (CONCACAF)

GROUP ONE: El Salvador v. Puerto Rico, Canada v. Jamaica, Netherlands Antilles v. U.S.A.

GROUP TWO: Barbados v. Costa Rica, Panama v. Honduras, Guatemala, bye.

GROUP THREE: Trinidad and Tobago v. Grenada, Antigua v. Haiti, Surinam v. Guyana.

Only one team qualifies.

## ASIA

### ZONE A — Group One

SUB-GROUP ONE: Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates, Oman

SUB-GROUP TWO: Iraq, Lebanon, Qatar, Jordan

SUB-GROUP ONE: Kuwait (Group Two) Yemen Arab Republic, Syria

SUB-GROUP TWO: Bahrain, Iran, Yemen Democratic Republic

## ZONE B

### GROUP 3

SUB-GROUP ONE: Malaysia, Nepal, South Korea

SUB-GROUP TWO: Thailand, India, Bangladesh, Indonesia

## GROUP 4

SUB-GROUP ONE: China, Hong Kong, Macao, Brunei

SUB-GROUP TWO: Japan, Singapore, North Korea

## OCEANIA

Australia, New Zealand, Taiwan, Israel

## AFRICA

Algeria, Cameroon and Ghana, bye, qualify for second round

### First Round

ZONE A: Egypt v. Zimbabwe, Kenya v. Ethiopia, Mauritania v. Malawi, Zambia v. Uganda, Madagascar v. Lesotho, Tanzania v. Sudan

**\$50,000  
win to  
Brusasco**

*Christmas came exactly one month late for Queensland Soccer Federation president and ASF senior vice-president Ian Brusasco, who last month won \$50,000 in the Queensland casket.*

*And on January 24 the thought paid dividends when the ticket took second prize in a half million casket.*

*Brusasco was unable to celebrate the windfall with his wife, Patsy and their three children on the night of the win as it clashed with a soccer meeting at Perry Park.*

*After the meeting, at which Brusasco had further success in that he gained partial acceptance for his controversial restructuring proposals, he shopped the bar.*

*The win capped an amazing run of good fortune for Brusasco.*

*He had won a \$1000 trifecta on each of the previous two Saturdays and even collected \$5 in his first attempt at instant lotto when on a business trip to Melbourne two weeks earlier.*

— RICKY ROSSO



John Dowie, 28, recruited by Juventus from Doveton for \$7000. Dowie started with Fulham in England, played 15 senior games for Glasgow Celtic from 1977 to 1978 and then had stints with Doncaster Rovers in England and Clyde in Scotland before coming to Australia to join Doveton.

## Forwards galore at 'Juve'

By LAURIE SCHWAB

Juventus has been recruiting like a country at war, but can coach John Margaritis mould the men he has into a workable team?

No club in Australia is better equipped to play the old WM formation. Look at the forwards — Rob Cullen, Andrew Zinni, Gary Ward, Joe Sweeney, Fabio Incalalupo.

There's also Kevin Lloyd — but at a pinch, could play in midfield.

However, the only established midfielder available at the moment, is John Dowie, Juventus' \$7000 buy from Doveton.

Billy Rogers is out of action due to a back injury. Ged Bannon has transferred to Fawkner, and Kevin Swinscoe also is expected to leave the club.

Richard Miranda, bought for Box Hill last season, but for Box Hill has season, but, with Paul Dringay sidelined with a broken leg, Miranda probably will play as stopper, a position he often filled at Preston-Makedonia.

So how will Margaritis overcome his midfield problem?

Obviously, he'll have to turn a couple of forwards into midfielders — most notably Incalalupo.

The full back positions are sound. Vince Bannon on the right has had NSW experience with South Melbourne Hellas and Heidelberg-Alexander; he's played for the Australian under-20 team, represented Victoria and won two Victorian Rothmans Medals. Harry Hird at left back was recruited from Altona City and was voted Juventus' best player in 1983.

Pat Bannon is the sweeper, as well as assistant coach. He was among the stars of Juventus' 3-0 victory over Footscray J.U.S.T. in a practice match last Sunday week.

Sean Keogh, bought from Doveton, is expected to be the No 1 goalkeeper.

If Rogers recovers from injury, the Juventus team could be.

Keogh — V. Bannon, P. Bannon, Miranda, Hird — Dowie, Rogers, Incalalupo — Zinni, Sweeney, Ward.

## Bruce, Mullen go

It all sounds like a TV ad of an airline to Hawaii: only \$85 for two, no hidden extras...

Except that the \$85 buys a season ticket for a couple to Sydney City Hakoah matches.

The campaign is promoted by the club's co-chairman Sam Fiszman, still convalescing after a heart bypass operation — but soon back to his daily four-mile running routine.

Several approaches have been made for the services of Ken Boden, Gerardo Gomez and others — but all are likely to stay put.

Veteran fullback Kevin Mullen has been released, on a free transfer.

Eddie Thomson has resigned as coach, three titles and a second place in four seasons provide the likeable Scot with unparalleled credentials.

Sydney Hakoah, of course, will stay at its Athletic Field headquarters — but this time,

## CANBERRA CASHES IN AND GOES FOR YOUTH

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

Gary Byrne to Blacktown City for \$12,500 ... Don McLaren to Sunshine-George Cross for \$8,500 ... George Christopoulos on loan to AFK Athens until the end of this year ... Terry Byrne sidelined until 1985 ...

These are the main stories which have emerged from Canberra. Arrows' general manager Doug Collins wants to sign Scottish midfielder Tommy Sermanni from Marconi but Marconi has placed \$20,000 on Sermanni's head. The Scot is appealing against the fee to the ASF. His case is likely to be heard later this month.

Youth will form the basis of the Arrows' assault on the championship of the NSL's northern region. That exciting young striker, Frank Farina, who has played on loan with Canberra from Moree in Queensland last season, is expected to join the Arrows. Institute of Sport youngsters John Mihailidis, Roy Jones, Tony Franken and Ray Junna have been signed and Canberra has high hopes for young goalkeeper George Economopoulos. This promising custodian, along with Steve Hosznowski and Tony Franken gives Canberra great depth in this department.

Canberra has transferred listed striker Tony Brennan and Ian Gibson. Brennan is listed at \$20,000 and Canberra hopes to get at least \$12,000 from the sale of Gibson.

Andrew Young, Jim Murray and Steve Bryant will stay and Paul Ontong, for so long troubled by a knee injury, is fit and will be an important member of the first team squad this season.

Terry Byrne though, is less



John Mihailidis



Ray Junna

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# ASF 'summersault', ethnic names OK

In retrospect, we may all relax and wonder what all the fuss was about.

For years the ASF stuck to its guns about "foreign named" clubs not being admitted to the National League — with one or two notable exceptions, of course.

These were told, disgust and discourage decent true-blue Aussies and keep them away from matches.

What has kept people from flocking to watch the Auburns, Sutherlands, Manly and others has never been explained.

But now, miraculously, foreign names are OK once again: we can have a Croatia, Juventus, Melita, whatever you like.

In Croatia's case this is especially curious: time and time again we used to hear from ASF moguls that "they'll never be admitted under that name as long as I'm here." So maybe they are not there any longer.

Needless to say, we applaud this probably temporary return to sanity: a hundred and one different ways may keep people from watching NSL games — but certainly not club names.

If that had been the case, then Sydney City (nee Hakoah) Leichhardt and some others would have had their grounds bursting at the seams.

This newspaper as such and myself as an individual have campaigned long enough against the xenophobic bias which for years — indeed, decades — tried to convince the public that, for example, APIA is a "foreign name" while Leichhardt is simply adored by the populace.

Now it's time to forget the whole senseless argument: pay absolutely no attention to the laments of the few remaining bigots and try to find the REAL reason why soccer's popularity has nosedived over the years.

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In yet another area, the ASF has performed a double summersault with a twist during the summer. Perhaps it should be called a summersault.

A couple of weeks ago it was announced that in 1984 "only club teams would visit Australia — not national sides."

And then mentioned Liverpool, Fiorentina, Juventus, Glasgow Rangers, AEK and others.

Precisely a year ago the ASF — if I recall, Sir Arthur George — announced that from now on we would invite only full national sides as nobody was interested in visiting clubs.

Maybe in a year such an interest has devel-

oped to an appreciable degree.

I don't have very strong feelings about the matter either way: I'd be just as happy to see England as Liverpool, Italy as Juventus, Greece as AEK.

It also makes little difference to the Australian or State teams whether they face a strong national or club team.

What I find difficult to understand is how the ASF can change its POLICY so dramatically in 12 months.

Now, in heaven's name, did they reach the first conclusion and what overpowering logic forced them to change their minds?

One has reason to suspect that we have no "foreign policy" at all, no long range plans for the national team, and very little knowledge of the international scene.

Some of the men on the World Cup Committee couldn't tell Glasgow Rangers from the Forest Rangers who guard Yellowstone Park, yet with disarming innocence they dabbled into this mysterious subject.

This is February 1984, in case you forgot. The World Cup elimination matches may start later this year — but certainly in 1985: the finals are in 1986.

Whoever is in charge of the national team should know by now when and how he can prepare for these hurdles.

A detailed plan should exist very precisely worked out against overseas teams who could help us in our World Cup preparations.

And, even more dramatically, that plan should be executed without further changes.

But, clearly, this is asking for a bit too much...

Those who have been blindly waging a war against what they loosely term as "summer soccer" please note...

Last November the Australian team played in a Singapore tournament. In Singapore's permanent summer; in hot and humid conditions.

The Aussies won the tournament.

There wasn't one murmur from the players or from the pressmen about "summer madness".

Or is it only the Australian summer that bothers them?

## THE ANDREW DETTRE COLUMN



• This is NOT Adelaide City in action — but Italy's Juventus, the club whose proud name it once carried.

And the only reason for using this picture is to show Adelaide City officials how to put numbers on the back of black and white striped shirts so that they stay visible from more than six inches away...

## Syd. Croatia arrives

### — at long, long last

At last — merciful last, some would say — sanity has prevailed: Sydney Croatia has been admitted to the NSL without forcing it to change its name.

Now the old argument is about to be settled: will the club be such an asset to senior soccer as advocates of its cause have been arguing for seven years or so?

Croatia's youthful, energetic manager-coach Attila Abonyi is optimistic.

"I feel Croatia have arrived where they always belonged. It was plain crazy to keep them out so long just because they wanted to keep their name."

"When I left them, in 1980, after three successful and happy years, I did so because I feared that bias would permanently prevent their progress. I'm happy to be back now."

So could be Croatia. After all, it has Abonyi, one of the all-time greats of our soccer who, since turning to coaching in 1978, has won numerous titles with Croatia and then Melita and appears to be one of the few up-and-coming managers on the local scene.

Of course, Abonyi knows full well that more enthusiasm will be needed to "mix it with the big boys."

"We have 23 players in training at present and that includes six we have not yet signed," he says. "In the next few weeks we'll sort things out."

"In Savo, Watson, the Kovacic brothers and some others from last year we have a talented and young nucleus for 1984."

"We have also signed three new players: Shane Clinch and Steve Meades from Sutherland, Paul Kervan from Blacktown. And we have lost only one, Peter Hensman who, due to chronic back and other injuries, has decided to retire."

Goalkeeper Ron Gisbourne, formerly of Riverwood and Banks-town, also may join Croatia.

Croatia will play its matches at its Edensor Park ground, five minutes drive from March's — provided the NSL approves the venue. Abonyi admits that the ground needs some improvements — such as widening and the installation of some seating — but adds that these have been scheduled anyway by his club.

A modern, spacious clubhouse with all the usual club facilities is 50 metres from the playing field — an ideal set-up which only Marconi and Blacktown can emulate of the other Sydney clubs. Without being too daring, he predicts average crowds of 4,000 or more in 1984 — with anything up to 10,000 for "specials" such as Olympia's visit in the third round.

Attila, like his former mentor, Frank Arok, is coaching, managing and administering the soccer club; he even wants to try some of those brilliant promotional and fund-raising schemes. On the field he is assisted by Luke Fabijanic who, in 1977, was his first coach at Croatia — while off the field his main crutch is Tony Topic, now in his fifth year of club presidency.

"We will do everything we can to prove that Croatia is an enormous asset to the NSL, not the liability some people have been claiming for years," he says.

"Of course we are a basically ethnic club; of course, so are most of the others. And what's wrong with that? Ninety percent of soccer spectators are ethnic, too. It's high time we stopped pretending."

"If we do get 4,000 or 5,000 fans at our matches, I'm not going to run around asking them whether it's the game or patriotism that has brought them out. I only wish every club had a support like we do, soccer would be miles further ahead on the road."

— ANDREW DETTRE

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The following is the draw for the First Preliminary Round of the 1984 Victorian Dockerty Cup to be played on Sunday, February 12, kick off 3pm:

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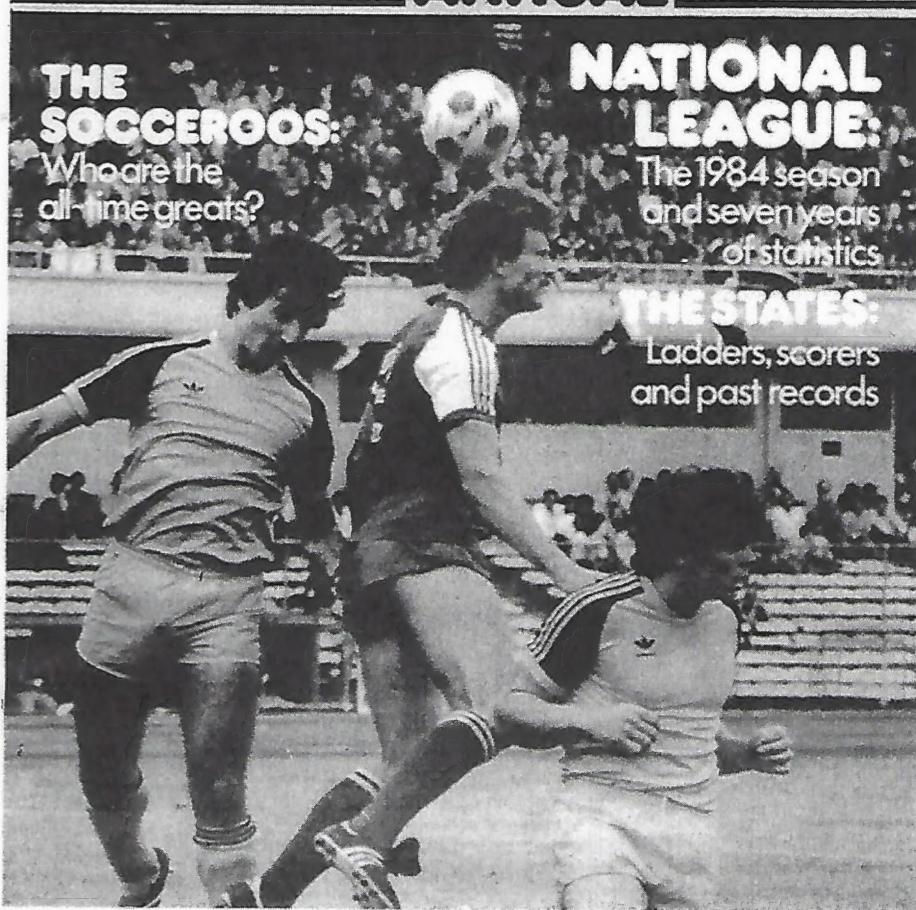
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## Tzintzis a star in the making

**HEIDELBERG-ALEXANDER 1 (Tzintzis 56th) JUVENTUS 1 (Miranda 33rd), crowd about 6500 (double-header). Cautions: Miranda (J). Referee: Evan Venios 3).**

**HEIDELBERG-ALEXANDER:** Kardamitis 6 — McKeie 8, Angelis 7, Gabriele 7, Spanos 7 — Selimidis 7, Amantidis 5 (Salvo 42nd), Valentine 7 — Tzintzis 5 (inj. sub. Krnjacic 66th), Miranda 5, Vagias 56th, Patterson 5. Coach: Brian Garvey.

**JUVENTUS:** Keogh 6 — V. Bannon 8, P. Bannon 7, Miranda 6, Hird 7 — Cullen 6, Lloyd 4 (Swinscoe 62nd), Incantalupo 7 — Sweeney 5, Ward 5, Zinni 7. Coach: John Margaritis.

Pashalis Tzintzis, the young star from South Oakleigh, should win a permanent place in the Heidelberg team because he's fast, enthusiastic, he can beat an opponent and he's a goalscorer.

Not only did he score the equaliser for Heidelberg on Friday, but he also came close after beating two men on his metre solo run just before half time.

Heidelberg played without Gary Cole, Jim Tansey, Jim Campbell, and Jeff Oliver who all want transfers: Don Macleod who was suspended and Charlie Yanks who's trialling with Brighton in England.

As a result, the club fielded a makeshift team that included only five senior players.

Juventus missed new signing John Dowd because he was not fit after spending the off-season in Scotland, but with recruits Joe Sweeney, Gary Ward, Richard Miranda, and Sean Keogh in the team, Juventus was expected to win convincingly.

Instead, it was largely ineffective in midfield, although Fabio Incantalupo did manage a few intelligent, defence-splitting passes from there.

Sweeney and Lloyd were sluggish up front, and the defense lived dangerously because Miranda strayed too far too often from his stopper's position.

It was a mistake by referee Evan Venios that gave Juventus its goal just before half time. Andrew Zinni hit the post with a shot which bounced out to Miranda. He stumbled and fell on the ball, handling it before it went into the net. Linesman John Fraser signalled the handball offside, but Venios allowed the goal to stand, much to the delight of the Juventus players.

Earlier, Heidelberg left back John Spanos had hit the crossbar with a good shot, and a shot by John Gabrielson, bought from Box Hill

for \$2000, was cleared off the goal line by Harry Bird.

Marcelo Salvo, the youth international from the Institute of Sport in Canberra, replaced Tiger Amantidis after half time, and showed off some of his renowned skill.

Shortly afterwards, Scott Patterson beat Vince Bannon and Miranda on a fine solo run, but goalkeeper Keogh turned the shot wide for a corner.

Another example of Venios' poor form in this match was his insistence that Juventus take a free kick over a foul on Rob Cullen, even though by then, Cullen's pass already had given Vince Bannon a 10-metre advantage.

Cullen brought the Juventus fans to their feet with a spectacular run down the right wing. He played a one-two with Gary Ward, then crossed the ball, but Ward's header was saved by Spiros Kardamitis.

Then came the equalising goal. Patterson won the ball on the left and played a perfectly-judged square ball in to the goal area where Tzintzis rammed it into the roof of the net.

Juventus coach John Marigaris replaced out-of-form Kevin Lloyd with Kevin Swinscoe, who went to the stopper's position, enabling Miranda to push into midfield.

Tzintzis was hurt in a tackle by Swinscoe and had to be carried off. Let's hope he's fit for the next game. This competition needs more players like him.

Laurie Schwab



Makedonia newcomer Graham Heys

**\$12,000 from Buffalo**

The inaugural Buffalo Gold Summer Cup, which kicked off last Friday night, carries \$12,000 in sponsorship from Buffalo Sports — \$8000 in prize-money and \$4000 to be used for promotional purposes.

The winning team receives \$4000 and a cup, the runner-up gets \$2000 and each losing semi-finalist gets \$1000.

There also is a Player of the Series award, which will be decided by a panel of journalists who will vote after each match in the competition. The composition of that panel will change from game to game.

The Player of the Series wins a trip for two to Tasmania with two nights' accommodation at Wrest Point Casino. This award is sponsored by VSF Travel in conjunction with Ametco Travel.

The Buffalo Gold Summer Cup replaces the Ampol Cup which was 29 years old. Mr Ian Whittom of Buffalo Sports said that he hoped the association between his company and the VSF would be as successful as that between Ampol and the VSF.

"My hope is that Buffalo Sports will set a household word in soccer circles and will enjoy the same success that the Ampol organisation enjoyed through its involvement in the code," said Mr Whittom.

To date, Buffalo has sponsored Victorian soccer to the tune of \$16,000.

As for forecasting the result, I have a slight leaning towards Heidelberg, but I'll go for a draw.

## Murphy wins it

**SOUTH MELBOURNE HELLAS 1 (Murphy 44th) GREEN GULLY AJAX 0 at Olympic Park, Saturday night. Crowd: about 3,000. Referee: Cambridge 7.**

**SOUTH MELBOURNE HELLAS:** Laumets 7 — Russell 7, Yzendoorn 7, Blair 7, Kalifatidis 7 — Kanosets 7, Halford 6, Crino 6, Murphy 7 — Bakiaris 5 (Kalamakis 46th), Brown 6. Coach: Len Mackenry.

**GREEN GULLY AJAX:** Donys 7, Peter Losi 7, Cannell 7, Short 7, Hogan 7 — Smith 7, Moore 7, Boyle 6, Williams 6 — Bernice 5 (inj. Kremer 18th), Smallman 5. Coach: Jimmy Rooney.

Green Gully Ajax administrative strongman,

Arnold Langer was quite content after his side had gone down 1-0 to South Melbourne Hellas.

"What more can you ask for? The boys did well. What do you expect when the best two strikers in the country — Paul Lewis and Bobby Toal — aren't available?" Langer said after the match.

Those of us watching from the grandstand expected more, much more. From both teams.

Hellas won with a great Ken Murphy shot from 25 metres in

the 44th minute, and could have added to the surprise in the last 10 minutes had Jim Kalamakis and then Oscar Crino not tried to score what would have been superb goals, when team mates were close by in far better scoring positions.

However, young Kalamakis impressed. He took over from disappointing Chris Bekiaris in the 48th minute and combined well with Doug Brown on a couple of occasions.

At the other end of the park, sweeper John Yzendoorn, stopper Steve Blair and full backs Bobby Russell and Chris Kalifatidis rarely were troubled. Consequently Peter Laumets had a quiet night.

Langer's not wrong when he says that Paul Lewis and Toal were sadly missed. David Smallman was slightly injured early and replaced by Ron Kremer, who did little while Fabio Mancinelli never looked comfortable.

Ajax better resolve the Paul Lewis situation soon. Lewis wants to join Hellas but Ajax's starting price is \$30,000. Not bad for a player who came here for \$4500 a couple of seasons ago. One Ajax fan suggested that a swap between Lewis and Hellas striker Charlie Egan, at present overseas, would be a far better prospect for the green and whites. Wishful thinking? Or had the fair heard something we hadn't?

Ajax won't win the inaugural Buffalo Gold Summer Cup without it best two strikers but its defence will maintain the responsibility the team has developed over the past few seasons.

— CRAIG MACKENZIE

By LAURIE SCHWAB



Melbourne Croatia. Back row: Ossie Latif, Ross Blasby, David Brogan, Drago Deankovic, Jozo A Biskic, Keith Adams, Jeff Faulkner, Tommy Cummins.

## Brogan Cummins

**MELBOURNE CROATIA 3 (Brogan 4th, Cumming 34th, Parton 41st) PRESTON MAKE-DONIA 0 at Olympic Park, Friday night. Crowd: over 6000. Referee: Zoumas 6.**

**MELBOURNE CROATIA:** Blasby 7 — Curcio 8 (Deankovic 65th), Adams 8, Parton 8, Hannah 7 — Biskic 9, (Letinic 60th), Antolovic 7, Faulkner 7, Gojevic 8 — Cumming 9, Brogan 9. Coach: Terry Cummins.

**PRESTON MADE-DONIA:** Wilson 6 — Olerton 6 — Balavski 4, Opsinis 5 — McMillan 5, Petrovski 4 — Ilioski 5, Odzakovic 6 Einji, Christou 61st, Campbell 4 — Egan 4, Livingston 4. Coach: Peter Ollerton.

New Croatia coach Terry Hennessy is no sportsman

He has told his committee that he must have four top quality new players to embark on the club's first National League title campaign.

Now come on Terry. Do you plan to merely win the League title or set an NSW record winning margin?

Let's be fair. We want the National League to hold fame spell-bound till the final hurdle of the

season. Take last year for example. What a gripping finale we saw with four clubs capable of taking out the championship going into the final round.

That's the sort of thing we all crave Terry. Not a runaway league winner.

I'm prepared to concede that Croatia could do with two first-rate newcomers but after watching the clinical destruction of old rival Makedonia last Friday night one wonders whether four top-class newcomers would get a regular game.

Seriously though, Hennessy no doubt will and go cashed away with last week's performance. He won't let his players get carried away either. That's in spite of the fact that this writer has never seen the Tommy Cumming-David Brogan partnership work better.

Sure! Josip Biskic is a cracking winger and he taunted Ljubo Petrovski all week, but let's not lose sight of the fact that Cumming and Brogan did it all when it counted, in the Makedonia area.

Bogdan never has looked sharper. He disappointed me at times last season when I always had the highest regard for his ability but boy oh boy, did he turn it on here.

Makedonia player-coach Peter Ollerton started off at sweeper.

## Croydon's 'kids'

**CROYDON CITY 0 FOOT-SCRAY JUST 0, crowd about 4500 (double header), Saturday night. Cautions: Tutill (JUST), I. Loughnane (C). Referee: John Stojcavik 8.**

**CROYDON CITY:** Edwards 3 — Lov Saisi 5, Singleton 8, Ormond 8, Marley 5 — Alan 6, Brown 6, Tkachuk 6, Lucio Saisi 6 — Cubitt (inj. sub. Rainey 6, 26th), I. Loughnane 7. Coach: Colin Hasler.

**FOOT-SCRAY JUST:** Boland 8 — Stojcavik 5, McDowell 8, Davis 6 — Tutill 6 — Curovic 6, Belic 4, O'Donnell 5 — Paton 4, Carroll 7, Lujic 6. Coach: Bobby McLachlan.

An elderly gent with white hair and a ruddy complexion remarked as we passed outside Olympic Park before the game that we'd see a big upset in this match.

He obviously knows the qualities of the teenagers brought into the Croydon team to replace Jimmy Rooney, Guy Macleod, Paul Wade, Ian Dobson, Joe Sweeney and others who have departed.

But outside the ground before the game, nothing but an overwhelming JUST victory seemed possible.

We were wrong. The elderly gent was right. In fact, Croydon could have and should have won this match.

In the 46th minute Ian Loughnane delivered a brilliant square ball to Lucio Saisi whose shot, however, was repelled acrobatically by Dennis Boland. The ball rebounded to Loughnane who, this time, hammered it over the bar.

In the 55th minute, Loughnane launched a powerful drive from inside the penalty area and again Boland saved brilliantly. It was he and he alone who prevented utter embarrassment for JUST.



Juventus. Back row: Harry Hird, Sam Greco, Gary Ward, Richard Miranda, Sean Keogh, Paddy Bannon, Gary Clayton, Graham French, Joe Sweeney. Front: Frank Geramia, Rob Cullen, Andrew Zinni, Vince Bannon, Fabio Incantalupo, Kevin Lloyd, Kevin Swinscoe.

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Heidelberg	0	1	0	1	1	1
Makedonia	0	0	1	3	0	0
week's games, Saturday from 7.30 pm: Croatia v. Heidelberg, Perth v. Makedonia.						



Jim Davis McLachlan

### wants bargains

Shrewd team-builder Bobby McLachlan of Footscray J.U.S.T. is looking interstate for more bargain buys after signing centre back Jim Davis from Macedonia in Perth.

Davis bought for only \$3000, played for East Fife and Cowdenbeath in Scotland before coming to Australia.

Tasmanian Craig Nicholls, 19, from Olympia in Hobart, has been matching J.U.S.T.'s fittest players, Vlatko Belic and Suleiman Curovic in training, but his transfer hit a snag when Olympia demanded \$200 for him.

McLachlan is adamant he will not buy players from Melbourne, because the prices are too high.

"When I was at Ajax, Paul Lewis joined us at an all-up cost of \$1500, yet now not his transfer fee is being quoted at \$3000," McLachlan said.

"I brought Gary McDowell to J.U.S.T. from Scotland for \$3000, and I could bring over many more like him if we're not for the import restrictions.

"Why then, should we pay inflated prices locally?

"It's easy enough to be successful as coach of Hellas, where you've got the money to sign the best players, but that just isn't possible at J.U.S.T."

"Don't get me wrong, though. We'll still have a very good team."

If McLachlan's past record is anything to go by, you have to believe him.

Remember what he did for Ajax!

## Makedonia wants Cole, Lucchesi to J.U.S.T.?

### Where will Claude Lucchesi go?

The talented Makedonia striker has been in dispute with his club since late last season, and although he continues to train there, it is unlikely he will play for Makedonia again.

Footscray J.U.S.T. was interested in signing Lucchesi, but it depends on the transfer fee.

Lucchesi's contract with Makedonia stipulates a maximum transfer fee of about \$3000, but the club removed the clause, claiming he broke his contract when he went to the U.S. on a business trip last year.

Lucchesi has solicitors challenging the club over its action.

While the matter remains unresolved, Makedonia has signed Graham Heys for \$10,000.

## Brian Garvey takes up the challenge at Heidelberg

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

Brian Garvey wasn't ruffled when he flew in from England to take up his new job as coach of Heidelberg United only to find that star trio, striker Gary Cole, midfielder Jim Campbell and goalkeeper Jaff Olver, couldn't come to terms with the club over new contracts.

"If I had been here for a while and was well versed in the scene it probably would scare me a bit to have so many of last year's first team unavailable," said Garvey.

"But I'm here now, I'm taking the job in front of me as a challenge and with the backing of the committee and players at Heidelberg we'll overcome any problems."

"I've told Gary Cole, Jim Campbell and Jeff Olver that they are all good players and I'd like to see them stay at the club, but if they can't come to terms over new contracts then we may have to part. If we sell them, then we'll have to use the money to replace them with players of similar quality. That's not going to be easy and we'll have to use our money wisely."

As we went to press, Heidelberg was trying to sign Nick Theodorakopoulos from Canterbury-Marrickville, equal top scorer in the 1983 NSW State League.

Talented defender John Gabrielson joined last week from Box Hill for \$2000 and Paul Tzitzis, one of the outstanding forwards in the Victorian Metro Leagues for the past two seasons, joined from South Oakleigh for \$4500.

Derek Lee, Heidelberg's leading scorer last season, may return from Scotland. While Lee was loaned to Australia late last year it seems likely he wouldn't return but Garvey is hopeful of getting the little striker back in Heidelberg colours.

Charlie Yankoski is trialling with English Second Division club Brighton and Jim Tansey wants to leave and can be bought for \$5000.

Don Macleod, after serving a one week suspension when he was sent off in the second leg of the 1983 National Cup, will be available for the remainder of the Buffalo Gold Summer Cup.

Macleod missed last Friday night's Summer Cup clash with Juventus. Garvey was recommended to Heidelberg last year, firstly by Northcote defender Gary Cutler, then by former England manager Ron Greenwood, here for the triangular series against the Socceroos last June.

Garvey's professional playing career spanned 15 years with Hull City, Watford and Colchester. He was player-manager with non-league club Bedford Town then was on the coaching staff of Wolves and Arsenal. He has been assistant coach of the English Socceroos last June.

When then, with such an impressive coaching background, did he come to a soccer backwater to continue his career?

"Football in England is undergoing a financial recession. Most clubs are cutting down on their playing staff which means that they also are cutting down on coaching staff. There's not that many jobs available anymore."

While with Bedford Town, Garvey sold Jim Campbell to Oxford United for about \$4000.

"It was good for Jim and good for Bedford. The club needed the money and Jim was given a chance to further himself as a full time professional."

Garvey is pleased with the training facilities at Heidelberg and he praised newly appointed assistant coach Jim Kriaris, the former Heidelberg and Footscray JUST defender.

"Jim and I seem to be on the same wavelength which is great and he seems to have worked the lads hard during a difficult period for the club."

"A successful team has a good blend of experience and youth. We need to develop a sound youth policy but at the same time I'm very aware of the dangers of rushing young lads into the team at too early a stage. Young players must be given time to develop."



New Heidelberg coach Brian Garvey

## Peter Lewis and Jim Campbell to join Croatia?

Peter Lewis of Ajax and Jim Campbell from Heidelberg were targets of Melbourne Croatia's new coach Terry Hennessy as we went to press.

Croatia still hasn't completed the transfer of stopper Ian Dobson from Croydon. Dobson returned this week from a holiday in his native England has agreed terms with Croatia. At first, Croydon wanted \$15,000 for the quality defender but has dropped its asking price to \$12,000 and won't go any lower.

Croatia fans will be keen to see 23 year old striker Zdravko Bogdanovic in action. Bogdanovic, a Hajduk player currently on loan to NK Split, is expected to arrive in Australia within the next three weeks. He will fill one of two vacancies at Croatia.

Another Croatian, a former Yugoslav youth international defender is expected to migrate to Australia. Croatia won't release his name yet but club officials have a high regard for him.

His signing has shown interest in Heidelberg goalkeeper Jeff Oliver and we believe that a cash and player deal, involving young Croatia striker Ossie Dinamo, has been discussed by both clubs.

Hennessy, who played over 400 games in the English leagues, captained Nottingham Forest, Derby County and Birmingham City and played 29 games for Wales as a first team player. Hennessy arrived here in December after coaching Tulsa Roughnecks to a 2-0 win in Soccerbowl '83 over Toronto Blizzard.

Melbourne Croatia beat Heidelberg to the punch in signing Hennessy as coach for 1984.

"I need four new quality players," said Hennessy.

"The standard here is not as high as in the States. On the positive side, players here have a high work rate and I haven't seen many players who aren't prepared to pull their weight."

"I've got a lot of work to do in the area of general organisation. We've had to go back to basics and I haven't been able, so far, to work on organising us in specific areas. I'll get a good look at the players in the Summer Cup I want to see them accepting responsibility of the park. I don't mind if mistakes are made. We all make mistakes. I'll be looking for leadership qualities from my players."

Hennessy had intended using just three players at the back, a ploy which proved effective in the U.S. but he feels he hasn't got the players to



Ian Dobson

suit the style he wants to adopt and until he gets them he'll probably use a standard 4-4-2 formation.

"Players are no different now than what they were in my time. You always find some players who think that they are better than they are and have a belief that they know more than anyone else. It's been the same with every team I've been associated with."

"I don't mind any players who are cocky and arrogant as long as they produce the goods."

Hennessy also is Croatia's youth team coach. He has told youngsters George Radman and Mate Bozic that at present they don't have the first team playing. Hennessy wanted the pair to work with him in the youth team and when he thought they were ready he would put them back in the first team squad. However, it seems that both Radman and Bozic are destined to join new Victorian State League club St Albans Dinamo.

Dennis Morovic also seems set to leave Croatia.

Hennessy, well aware of the need for a Croatian backed club to field Croatian players, says that any Croatian good enough will gain a place in his side.

"I don't care if a player is Scottish, Irish or Japanese, as long as he produces the goods. Any Croatian players in the first team will be there because they deserve to be there on ability."

"If a player isn't good enough, he won't be selected. I won't be getting the sack for the sake of others who want certain players selected. Everyone selected is done so on the basis of quality."

— CRAIG MACKENZIE

## g. Biskic best

ind a four man defensive unit, all with man marking duties. Jim Biskic was pitted against Steve Gojevic. Con O'Brien and Curcio's own McMillan tried to mark Ivan while Petrovski was at his best and wide against Biskic. Goran Iloski and Zarko Dzakov were going in midfield. George Campbell found Tony Curcio a handful and Alex Livacic rarely was sighted. Spare thought however for Makedonia's new signing from West Adelaid, winger Graham Heys. He, every Makedonia player who misfortune to get forward, found himself surrounded by onsets. Heys cut a lonely figure for most of the night.

he respect paid to Croatia by Ollerton's tagging tactics is one wonder which of these is the new National League. Playing like a bunch of NSW veterans, Croatia's team looked better, looked like individuals and played with confidence and flair which gripped any non-partisan tator.

at's look at the goals. Biskic had six from Brogan on the far in the 4th minute while Biskic, running, Petrovski on the t. In a flash Brogan outwitted the Makedonia defence and met Biskic's curling cross firmly, heading past helpless Richard Wilson for the opener.

Wilson did well to parry over a Cummings header in the 17th minute but the Kiwi keeper fumbled badly six minutes later. Cummings charged in and struck the ball home. It looked like a legitimate goal but referee Sam Zoumas chalked it off.

However, there was no stopping Cummings in the 34th minute. Makedonia and Croatia both had pushed up from the back. Biskic tried to play the ball over the top of the Croatia defense but failed. Instead, his ball struck an opponent, and ricocheted over Opasic, Makedonia's last line. Cummings raced clear and although Opasic almost caught up, Cummings cleverly slid down and toe-poked the ball past advancing Makedonia to make it 2-0.

Ollerton started the second half up front but Croatia continued to dominate. Cummings and Brogan both went close then stopper Sean Parton made it 3-0 in the 41st minute. Gojevic drove the ball in from a corner to the near post. Cummings headed on and Parton headed in from six metres. That completed the rout.

— CRAIG MACKENZIE

## Steal the show

oydon's young midfield held station efficiently, without ever being flashy, and although its fulls were lax in allowing Suleiman Curovic and Zdravko Ljubić to have a series of crosses from its centre backs, Eddie and Dave Singleton dealt with those crosses.

ie question has to be asked: did JUST persist with its plan to win the title? It was evident that play was not going to work? Let Paton and Joe Carroll never be able to get onto the end of a Vlatko Belic red card in the second half.

less JUST gets one forward good in the air and who es regularly (not like Carroll, all his good qualities), JUST will be one of the lowest teams in the league.

ank goodness for Gary McDowell.

— LAURIE SCHWAB

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While the matter remains unresolved, Makedonia has signed Graham Heys for \$10,000.

000 from West Adelaide Helias.

He and George Campbell, for a good wing partnership, but they need a central striker and that's where Gary Cole comes in.

Cole is determined to switch to Makedonia, which, however, wants \$30,000 for him. The price will have to come down before Makedonia digs into its pockets.

Makedonia also needs two centre-backs, as both David Jones and George Todorovski have left the club.

Makedonia was hoping to sign Robbie Dunn from West

Adelaide but was surprised by lining up with Azzurri in the South Australian Amateur Cup at the weekend and in the meantime.

Makedonia's name as well as Croatia's has been linked with Croydon City's Ian Dobson.

Both Steve Potter — back after a year's absence from the club — and Richard Wilson, are vying for the goalkeeper's position. As both are excellent goalkeepers, much too good to sit on the bench, one will be transferred.

But which one?

— LAURIE SCHWAB

## Lawson to move

Sunshine-George Cross sweeper Steve Lawson, 25, is available for transfer at a negotiable fee of \$4,000.

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## Another triumph in Asia but at home we're going backwards

**Our new-look national squad** — it included about 10 new faces — won the Merlion Cup in Singapore for the second year, but it was much tougher this time.

The month of December is the rainy season. The grounds are soft and wet, which means your legs get very tired, and the humidity is unbearable.

China was very impressive, and that right winger — Chou Chong Yee, I think his name is — is the fastest thing I've seen on two feet.

We call Graham Jennings "flash" but compared with this guy, Jennings is dead slow!

Singapore, with super star Fandi, was quite a team, and its 60,000 supporters created an electrifying atmosphere in the final.

Fandi pulled in 40,000 people on his own, would you believe?

Only about 12,000 watched Singapore's first two games, but when Fandi arrived from

### We're going backwards

Instead of progressing, Australian soccer over the past few years, has been going in the opposite direction.

Crowds have dropped alarmingly!

I know we've been having an economic crisis, but that hasn't affected cricket or Australian Rules.

As for myself, I spent most of the time carrying an injury, after hurting my leg in the second game.

I'd say the best players on tour were Phil O'Connor, Graham Jennings and Tony Henderson.



As teenage stars with SM-Hellas — Alan Davidson (front), now at Arsenal, and George Christopoulos (middle), of AEK Athens. Will Steve Blair (top) go next?

## Attention, all Whistlers!

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**The Rest of the World outfit:** Mr Joseph Docherty (manager), Mr Gary McDowell (resident physician), Mr Noel Mitten, Mr Joseph Sweeney, Mr Michael Gaut esq. (stern official), Mr Gus Macleod, Mr John Gardiner, Mr Hugh Murney, Mr Michael McGorian, Mr Patrick Bannon, Mr David Brooks, Mr George Orrock (stretcher bearer), Mr Donald Macleod, Mr William Morrey, Mr Terry Adkins (stern official), Mr Luther Kastner, Mr David Rand (stern official), Mr Steven Marley (stretcher bearer). Reclining: Mr Gordon Cameron (left), Mr Tarak Gunerli.

## A jolly fine show by the colonial centenarians

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

**AUSTRALIA 4 (Mr Ollerton 2, Mr Rooney, Mr Vojtek) REST OF THE WORLD 1 (Mr Sweeney).** Nostalgia match at Olympic Park. Referee: Mr Michael Gaut esq.



*A comic interlude — Mr James Tansey, whose "eyebrows" appear to meet in the middle.*

**REST OF THE WORLD: Mr**

**AUSTRALIA: Mr Reilly — Mr Russell, Mr Tansley — Mr Vincent Bannon, Mr Irvine, Mr Rooney — Mr McMeegan, Mr Armstrong, Mr Ollerton, Mr Vojtek, Mr Keenan. Manager: Mr Joseph Docherty. Resident Physician: Mr Gary McDowell.**

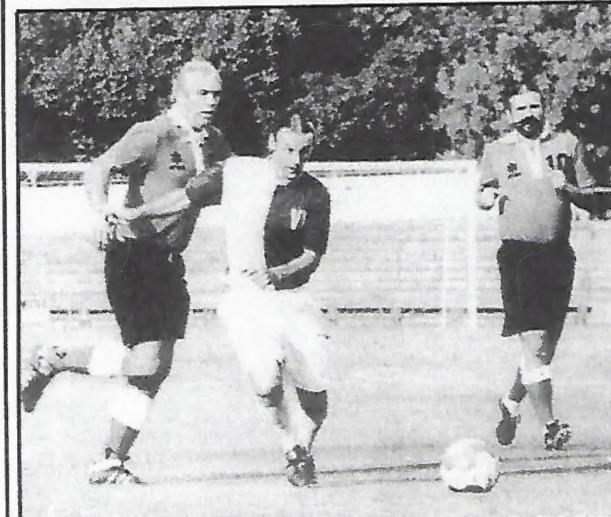
**Kastner — Mr Tarak, Mr Brooks — Mr Murney, Mr Donald Macleod, Mr Patrick Bannon, Mr McGorian, Mr Gus Macleod, Mr Sweeney, Mr Gardner, Mr Mitten.**



*A master in action — Mr Hamilton McMeegan.* colony is famed for by battling on in true pioneering fashion.



*Australia's Mr William Vojtek (left) stoutly challenged by Mr Tarak Gunerli.*



*Mr James Rooney (central) delightfully sidesteps Mr Patrick Bannon.*

An aristocratic display from the green and gold Antipodean army, marred only by an unfortunate exchange of fistcuffs from Messrs Keenan and Murney in the second period of play, highlighted this nostalgic match to mark the opening of the Victorian Soccer Federation's centenary year celebrations.

The alteration between Messrs Keenan and Murney was quickly quelled by Mr Michael Gaut esq., who altogether officiated in his now customary authoritative manner. Mr Gaut's whistling was a delight to behold and he had little hesitation in expelling the scoundrels from the field of play.

The startling trickery of Messrs Ollerton, Rooney and Vojtek was breathtaking, a balm to the mind in this sad age of on-field thuggery.

The herculean efforts of Mr Hamilton McMeegan, cruelly clipped from behind by an unknown assailant shortly after the respite, must be greatly commended. This diminutive ball master dispelled the stuff that this

Mr Peter Ollerton, a youngster of great promise, prodded the scoreboard attendant into action with a firm, forward forehead thrust at the ball in the first period. It could well be that that particular part of the human anatomy may be put to far more use over the next few years, what with the many entrepreneurial rascals exerting an increasingly improper influence over the direction of this once gentlemanly code of association football.

Mr Rooney sent the parochial colonial supporters into an extended period of warm applause when he scored the second goal of the contest shortly after Mr Ollerton's success.

A minor rally by the Rest of the World eleven, highly commendable after their inability to effectively encroach upon the resolute Australian rear-guard in the first period of play, nonetheless was short lived. Mr Sweeney, a swarthy, powerful gent from the mother country, whose entry to this colony was couched in a "chain" of dubious circumstances, gave supporters of the empire a faint hope of a firm revival when he defied the athleticism of the gallant Mr Reilly to gain a goal for the Rest of the World. Alas, such hope was dashed when Messrs Vojtek and Ollerton repiled in true cavalier fashion. When Mr Gaut signalled the finale with a short, sharp puff of his whistle, the scoreboard read: Australia 4, Rest of the World 1.

Let us hope that many more such contests are organised by the far sighted officials of our association football federation. The fine body of gentlemen who give eagerly of their time and assets to promote this stirring sport deserve the highest accolade. Well



**Victoria**, back row: Stan Slazyk (team manager), Bill Beveridge (physiotherapist), Oscar Crino, Peter Laumets, Steve Blair, Jeff Oliver, Peter Lewis, Zarko Odzakov, Stefan Mila, Gary Cole, Tim White (coach). Front row: Josip Biskic, Carl Halford, Keith Adams, Tommy Cumming, Jim Campbell (captain), John Yzendoorn, Ken Murphy, Paul Lewis. Pictures by LES SHORROCK



Victorian striker Gary Cole

# A snub and a super sub for Germans

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

**VICTORIA** 1 (Cole 47th)  
**WEST BERLIN** 2 (Schure 74th, Clavis 83rd) at Olympic Park. Crowd: About 4000. Referee: Jim Fearn 7.

**VICTORIA:** Oliver 7 — Peter Lewis 7, Blair 6, Yzendoorn 6, Adams 5 — Cumming 7, Odzakov 7, J. Campbell 7 (inj. Crino 65th), Murphy 7 (Biskic 78th) — Cole 7, Peter Lewis 5. Coach: Tim White.

**WEST BERLIN:** Bechem 8 — Goersdorf 6, M. Schmidt 9, Schroeder 7, J. Schmidt (inj. Beyer 26th, 6) — Ecke 6, Stark 7, Hornig 8, Miethig 5 — Schure 7, Wilhelm 4 (inj. Clavis 76th). Coach: Freidhelm Haebermann.

West Berlin claimed after the match that it was snubbed by the VSF, which failed to stage a reception in an upstairs lounge at Olympic Park, but it received a bigger snub from the Victorian soccer public.

This match, which kicked off Victorian soccer's centenary celebrations, was poorly advertised and the Germans weren't good draw.

Manchester United touring later this year isn't just that — talk.

The Germans weren't great at the back. Poor finishing from Paul Lewis and two fine saves from goalkeeper Ulli Bechem kept the contest scoreless at half time.

The Germans would have undeservedly led at the break had top scorer Rainer Schure made more of his one-on-one chance against Victorian goalkeeper Jeff Oliver in the 40th minute.

The best midfielder on show was West Berlin's Michael Hornig but there was no real class difference between them outfit.

Cole, looking trimmer than ever and destined for a great season, put Victoria ahead two minutes into the second half. The big striker got free on the right and was sent clear by captain Jim Campbell. Bechem came off his line but Cole kept calm, neatly slotting the ball into the near corner.

Schure again broke clear and made no mistake when confronted by just Oliver in the 74th minute.

Then West Berlin coach Freidhelm Haebermann made a vital switch. He took off Thorsten Wilhelm and put on Torsten Clavis, a youngster who may develop into a Bundesliga player. Clavis, supported by midfielders Hornig and Peter Stark, exploited the space opening up down Berlin's right flank.

Victorian sweeper John Yzendoorn, under pressure, tried to pass back in the 83rd minute but only succeeded in setting up unmarked Clavis whose low shot from inside the area proved to be the winner.



Victoria stopper Steve Blair (centre) crashes past Michael Schmidt (left) and Rainer Schure to head clear as Mario Miethig (right) looks on.

## Record crowd sees Falcons hold Berlin

Morwell Falcons attracted a Gippsland record soccer crowd of 2500 to their 1-1 draw with West Berlin at North Crinan Reserve in Morwell.

Midfielders John O'Callaghan and Jim McLean and goalkeeper Bill Whiteside starred for Morwell, while midfielder Ronald Beyer and full back Bernd Goersdorf excelled for West Berlin.

The Germans were reduced to 10 men when midfielder Mario Miethig was sent off over a spirited tackle mid-way through the second half.

Striker Rainer Schure gave West Berlin the lead in the first half, but Bobby McGuinness of Morwell equalised with a header in the 65th minute.

The match was Morwell's first major engagement under new coach Jimmy Dunne, the former Brisbane City and Green Gully Ajax defender.



Victorian captain Jim Campbell exchanges pennants with West Berlin captain Peter Stark. In the centre is referee Jim Fearn.



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# Azzurri plays Dunn, West Ad. fuming!

By FRANK PANGALLO

Controversy marked the opening round of the 1984 South Australian Ampol Cup series, now in its 25th year.

State League club Azzurri shell-shocked West Adelaide Hellas fans and officials by including stopper Robbie Dunn, who is in dispute with Hellas, in its opening line-up.

Hellas officials are still seeing but in the end it made no difference to the result as Azzurri was sunk by a Graham

him to be cleared to a Perth club of his choice for \$3000 (see if you can work out the kind of logic in that!).

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## South Australian Ampol Cup

Hellas always did look the better of the two teams although Azzurri often promised much only to waste possession.

Azzurri introduced new signings Dave Ouwerkerk, Paul Wilde, Tony Radford and Andy Knowles.

Teams and ratings:

**WEST ADELAIDE HELLAS**  
— Sproul 8; Papageorgis 8;  
Mercopoulous 7; McGachey 8;  
Honeyman 9; Totsikas 8; Stenopulos 7; Panagis 7;  
Malevatos 7; Stametopolous 8;  
Constantopoulos 8;  
**AZZURRI** — Miller 7; Dunn 8; Ouwerkerk 8; O. Michelon 8; Batchelor 7; Boffa 7;

Four minutes later Birkalla replied with an equally ferocious 25-metre drive by Terry Hayes.

**BEograd** — Pequin 7; Kostic 6; Greaves 7; Miller 7; Harmon 8; Welsh 7; Rusmir 8; Toland 7; Santac 7; Aranovic 6.

**BIRKALLA** — Green 7; Pietrus 8; Herge 8; Wickstein 8; Tobin 7; Amarato 7; Hayes 7; Mahony 6; Pepper 7; Moring 6; Joy 6.

# LA NUOVA LEGA NAZIONALE È UNA FORMULA INDOVINATA

Questa e' la prima edizione del giorale per il 1984 quindi la prima occasione per augurare "Buon Anno" a tutti i lettori di "Viva Italia" e a tutte le squadre che tengono alto il nome del calcio italiano in questo continente.

Il 1984 sera' un anno molto particolare che potrebbe addirittura significare una svolta decisiva nella storia del calcio "Aussie": la nuova formula della Lega Nazionale e' indubbiamente indovinata.

I due gironi formati quest'anno hanno salvato il concetto di un torneo a livello nazionale.

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Melbourne e' sicuramente il centro che ha beneficiato maggiormente di questo provvedimento. La promozione alla massima divisione di squadre dovevano sostenerla ogni quindici giorni per le trasferite interstatali, quanto il fatto che non si poteva spostare migliaia di tifosi da una città all'altra.

A parte i pochi "derby" cittadini, la maggior parte delle partite di Lega Nazionale venivano disputate dirette al pubblico in casa soltanto per questo motivo. L'assetto significalo "invece chera' invece che la maggior parte degli incontri di Lega Nazionale avverranno di fronte ai tifosi di tutte e due le squadre, almeno per quello che riguarda le squadre di Melbourne e di Sydney. Per quelle di Brisbane e Adelaide, purtroppo, non si e' potuto far-

moltò, ma almeno la loro situazione non e' peggiorata.

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Purtroppo per questa brillante soluzione adottata nelle ristrutturazioni della Lega Nazionale colpisce con maggiore forza di volta alle importazioni di giocatori dall'estero, ne' i club hanno messo in mostra molta fantasia nel riempire i pochi posti ammessi per gli "stranieri".

Qualche giocatore di gran nome dall'Italia, dalla Grecia, dalla Jugoslavia e da Malta avrebbe acceso ancora di più l'entusiasmo delle folle e scosso anche le moltitudini di indifferenti. Invece il mercato acilistico e' stato dominato dai soliti nomi, dalle solite medie-dicitura' e dalle promozioni in massa dei giocatori di Lega Statale che hanno fatto il salto in Lega Nazionale.

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una squadra completamente nuova a centrocampo ed in attacco e dovrà sudare le probabili sette camice per imbucare la formazione giusta ed il modulo di gioco giusto, almeno da quanto si e' visto venerdì sera. La difesa, senza Drinocky al centro (il centrocampista ha riportato la frattura di un piede in un incidente stradale) ha il problema contrario: pochi uomini e qualche alternativa ammenocche' non si faccia qualche altro acquisto.

Il fatto di avere di fronte un Heidelberg imboldito di giovani reserve non e' stato, tutto sommato, un vantaggio poiche' i ragazzi si sono impegnati allo spasimo, sorretti da una migliore tenuta, ed hanno messo in serie difficile i legnosi atleti in bianconero.

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Abbiamo cosi' tre punte (Ward, Sweeney e Zinni, una volta superata la difesa, ha rovato l'intesa, ammesso pero' formidabile abbastanza dal filo di ferro a molte difese).

Incalcatubo e Cullen sono ottime alternative, se uno dei tre dovesse mancare alla prova.

Il centrocampista di venerdì sera ha de steso pero' molte perplessità poiche' sia Incalcatubo che Cullen (pur essendo degli vittimi giocatori) sono centrocampisti solo in funzione offensiva, incapaci di contenere le offensive avversarie, per cui tutto il peso gravava sulla spartita difesa.

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## NSL fixtures due, 0/28 still tops

### Still we wait for the 1984 NSL fixtures.

Their adoption was delayed once more last weekend because of the dispute between the clubs and the NSL. Some teams would have none three weeks before their first home game, and Adelaide and Brisbane teams had consecutive away matches.

It is expected that the fixtures now will be approved this week.

Meanwhile, Channel 0/28 has confirmed its continuing coverage of NSL soccer.

This Sunday night "Match of the Day" programme now will

The NSL received its long-

## Olympic to take on Bris. City, Lions?

Brisbane's two National League clubs could go into their first matches this season short of tough match practice.

The problem the two clubs face is that they both want to play each other, although it would give their sides the strongest work-out possible, for fear of "killing the goose that lays the golden egg."

Derbies between City and Lions undoubtedly produce by far the biggest crowds for a Queensland NSL match.

But under this year's new format, Lions and City could clash up to six times this season.

To play each other in pre-season as well could well kill the "magic" of the much-awaited and revenue-earning clashes.

In a bid to overcome the problem, officials from both clubs are planning a mini-tournament late this month.

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